

VIRGINIA

GAZETTE.

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High HEAVEN to GRACIOUS ENDS direct the STORM!

LONDON, May 14.

THERE is a talk of sending the greatest part of the forces that remain in England to serve in America, and of embodying the militia for the defence of the kingdom in their stead, horse and foot guards excepted.

On account of the number of captures of vessels from Portugal, insurance has risen greatly, consequently wines increase in price, and what generally happens in this country, treble the advance is laid on them.

Extract of a letter from Leipfick.

"The American war must prove a destructive one to Great Britain. France never had so fair an opportunity of lowering the pride of your nation. My lord Stormont says very prettily, in his memorial from your trembling and affrighted court, that if the French assist or encourage the Americans, her own subjects may revolt. What artifice! what stupidity! Is it possible that her small and inconsiderable island could resist her force for a single moment? France knows better; and moreover, she is too wise to be deceived by specious men, or delusive arguments. The truth is, that the English ministry now run great risks from the danger to which they have exposed themselves by their violence and their folly, and are ready to give up all Newfoundland, and the half of your present insupportable taxes, to daunt the French, and to escape the fatal consequences which they foresee must arise from their foolish designs against America. But France knows her interest too well; she will form an alliance with America. She will by these means secure to herself perpetual security, and she will convince all the world that she is more provident than you think her to be."

May 29. The matter which has so long taken up the attention of the ministry, to very little purpose, is at length finally settled. The lord lieutenant of Ireland is, we hear, to propose to the parliament of that kingdom to raise ten regiments of Irish Catholics, to be employed in the carrying on the American war. The officers, as well as men, are to be all Catholics, and ten Catholic peers, and men of large fortunes, have already offered their services, and engaged to raise the complements of their respective battalions of 700 men each, without putting government to the expense of a single shilling levy money. This measure is intended to have a double operation. First, with respect to the immediate objects, secondly, in procuring the most able veteran officers in Europe, from the respective foreign services the Irish Catholics are at present engaged in.

June 5. The report is confirmed, by letters from Constantinople, that the Porte has offered terms to Russia towards fulfilling the articles of peace, which it is said will be fully satisfactory, and prevent a fresh rupture with those powers.

Yesterday sir George Howard's regiment, the 7th, marched from Chatham to

Portsmouth, in order to embark with all expedition for America. In this regiment lord Catchart goes a volunteer.

This day arrived a mail from New York, brought by the Mercury packet, capt. Dillon, to Falmouth. She sailed from New York the 27th of April, and from Rhode Island the 5th of May. Lord Piercy is come passenger in her.

PHILADELPHIA, August 22.

By an express arrived last evening from general SCHUYLER to CONGRESS, we have the following important intelligence.

Van Schaik's island, in the mouth of Mohawk river, August 18, 1777.

SIR,

I have the honour to congratulate Congress on the signal victory obtained by general STARK, an account whereof is contained in the following letter from general LINCOLN, which I have this moment had the happiness to receive, together with general BURGoyNE's instructions to lieutenant colonel BERN, copy whereof is enclosed.

BENNINGTON, August 18, 1777.

Dear General,

THE late signal success of a body of about 2000 troops, mostly militia, under the command of brigadier general STARK, in this part of the country, on the 16th instant, over a party of about 1500 of the enemy, who came out with a manifest design to possess themselves of this town, as will appear by the enclosed, is an event happy and important. Our troops behaved in a very brave and heroick manner; they pushed the enemy from one work to another, thrown up on advantageous ground, and from different posts, with spirit and fortitude, until they gained a complete victory over them.

The following is the best list I have been able to obtain of the prisoners, their killed and wounded, viz. One lieutenant colonel, 1 major, 5 captains, 12 lieutenants, 4 ensigns, 2 cornets, 1 judge advocate, 1 baron, 2 Canadian officers, and 3 surgeons, 37 British soldiers, 398 Hessians, 38 Canadians, and 151 Tories taken. The number of wounded fallen into our hands, exclusive of the above, are about 80. The number of their slain has not yet been ascertained, as they fought on the retreat for several miles in a wood, but supposed to be about 200. Their artillery, which consisted of 4 brass field pieces, with a considerable quantity of baggage, likewise fell into our hands. We have heard nothing of Burgoyne or his army for these two days past. The prisoners are sent into the state of Massachusetts Bay, except the Tories; shall wait your directions respecting them, as most of them belong to the state of New York. I am, dear general, with regard and esteem, your very humble servant,

B. LINCOLN.

N. B. We had about 20 or 30 killed in the action, and perhaps 50 wounded.

Copy of orders from lieutenant general BURGoyNE to lieutenant colonel BERN, dated near Saratoga, August 14, 1777.

SIR,

The accounts you have given me are very satisfactory, and I doubt not every proceeding under your direction will be the same. I beg the favour of you to report whether the route you have marched would be practicable for a large corps with cannon, without repair, or with what sort of repair. The desirable circumstance, at present, for your corps, is to possess Bennington; but should you find the enemy too strongly posted, and maintaining such a countenance as would make a coup de main too hazardous, I wish you to take such a post as you can maintain till you hear farther from me, and upon your report, and other circumstances, I will either support you in force, or withdraw you. Will you please to send to my camp, as soon as you can, waggons and draught cattle, and likewise such other cattle as are not necessary for your subsistence. Let the waggons and carts bring off what flour and wheat they can, that you do not retain for the same purpose. I will write to you in full to-morrow, in regard to purchasing horses out of the hands of the savages. In the meantime, let them be assured, that whatever you select from them fit to mount the dragoons shall be paid for at a proper price. I have the honour to be, with great esteem, yours, &c. J. BURGoyNE, lieutenant general.

Lieut. col. BERN.

I AM in hopes that Congress will very soon have the satisfaction to learn that general Arnold has raised the siege of fort Schuyler. If that takes place, I believe it will be possible to engage 2 or 300 Indians to join this army, and Congress may rest assured that my best endeavours shall not be wanting to accomplish it.

I am informed that general Gates arrived at Albany yesterday.

Major Livingston, one of my aids, will have the honour to deliver you this despatch. I am, sir, with every sentiment of respect, your most obedient humble servant, PHILIP SCHUYLER.

Hon. JOHN HANCOCK, esq;

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JOHN HANCOCK, president. *Extract of a letter from general Schuyler to his excellency general Washington, dated Forts, 5 miles below Stillwater, August 15, 1777.*

"I am just informed that lieutenant colonel Willet is arrived at Albany. He advises, that after the engagement which general Harkness had with the enemy, colonel Gansevoort ordered a sortie with 206 men, commanded by lieutenant colonel Willet; that he made a successful attack on part of the enemy's line, drove them across the river, and killed many. That sir John Johnson, he is informed, was among the slain. That he took and brought off a considerable quantity of baggage. That on his return to the fort he was ambushed, and attacked by a body of regular troops, who, after a fire, by which Wil-

let did not lose one man, were charged with fixed bayonets, and drove. He farther informs, that between 3 and 400 Indians were killed, wounded, and left the besiegers after the engagement. That the militia with general Harkemer lost about 160 killed and wounded. That general St. Ledyard, who commands the enemy's force in that quarter, sent in a flag to demand the delivery of the fort, offering that the garrison should march out with their baggage, and not be molested by the savages. That if this was not complied with, he would not answer for the conduct of the Indians, if the garrison fell into their hands; and that they would certainly fall on the inhabitants. That general Burgoyne was in possession of Albany. That col. Gansevoort, after animadverting on the barbarity and disgraceful conduct of the British officers in suffering women and children to be butchered as they had done, informed the flag, that he was resolved to defend the fort to the last; that he would never give it up as long as there was a man left alive to defend it. That he was well supplied with provisions and ammunition.

Col. Gansevoort being informed that the militia were dispirited, expecting that the fort would soon fall, sent lieut. col. Willet out to cheer up their spirits. That he found the militia of Tryon county collecting with great alacrity; and as general Arnold, with the troops under his command, will probably reach the German Flats on the 16th or 17th, I have great hopes that the siege will soon be raised.

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CHARLES THOMSON, sec'y.

August 26. Last Sunday morning part of the continental army, amounting to about 10,000 men, with his excellency general Washington at their head, marched through this city, and immediately proceeded over the river Schuylkill, on their way, it is said, to the eastern shore of Maryland, where the enemy's fleet have lately been seen, and it is thought will make a descent upon that state; and yesterday morning general Nash's brigade of North Carolina forces, and col. Procter's regiment of artillery, passed through this city, and we hear are to pursue the same route, in order to join our most illustrious general.

On the enemy's fleet appearing off Baltimore the disaffected inhabitants were all seized and sent under a strong guard to Frederick town.

FISH KILL, August 21.

Extract of a letter from Albany, Aug. 18. Since my last I have had the pleasure of seeing col. Willet; he nearly agrees with the account I gave you in my last of the engagement he had with the enemy. He however adds, that from all the accounts he could collect from the Indians and inhabitants near the fort, sir John Johnson fell in the engagement. The killed and wounded of the enemy in both engagements, from all that can be collected, exceeds 300. Those that were in general Herkemer's all agree that they killed and wounded that number; for they say that the Indians were more than half drunk, and shewed themselves more openly than has ever been known, and the regulars marched on very boldly three deep, and our people, known to Indian wars, placed themselves immediately behind trees, and made great havock among them, their cartridges being made up of three buck shot and a bullet. Some say they have seen three fall at a shot; however, the most moderate computation exceeds 300. The Indians got such such a severe drubbing that the greater part have left them, and are gone home.

NEW BERN, August 15.

THE vessel which lately sailed from this port, with a number of Tories on board, was taken soon after she left the bar, by capt. Weeks, in a privateer from Virginia, in consort with a letter of marque sloop, who have carried her off to the West Indies. She must prove a valuable prize, as the gentlemen on board her have large sums of money with them, and the vessel is loaded with 200 hhds. of tobacco.

WILLIAMSBURG, September 5.

Extract of a letter from major Forsyth, aid de camp to major general Stephen, dated Christiana bridge, August 27, 1777.

YESTERDAY his Excellency, and most of the general officers, with a good many light horse, left Wilmington, in order to reconnoitre the country below this. We were down as far as the Head of Elk, where we found some people very busy in carrying off some publick stores. A large body of the enemy have landed opposite Cecil courthouse, some say 4 or 5000. They have done nothing yet. The militia turn out with great spirit, and patrol down about them. A serjeant deserted yesterday, but was sent off to Lancaster, by which means we did not see him. Whilst we were dining at Mr. Alexander's, at the Head of Elk, an express arrived from general Sullivan, with letters for his Excellency, of the 24th of August, informing that he had crossed over and beat up the enemy's quarters on Staten island, had taken two colonels, wounded two others mortally, and made prisoners about 160 privates, and that 3 or 400 more must have been wounded. He has destroyed a large quantity of hay, which they had collected, taken a considerable quantity of baggage and arms, and destroyed all their tents. After most of our men had re-crossed, the enemy plucked up spirit and fell upon the rear, of about 100, commanded by major Stewart, and another major, whose name I do not remember, and obliged them, with about 40 men, to surrender prisoners of war, but not before they had expended all their ammunition, and made the enemy give way. It was owing to the rascals who carried over the boats, and would not proceed above half way, that those brave men fell into the enemy's hands. Upon the whole, it is a glorious stroke, and an exceeding good answer to Peter Lavius's letter.

Our good success to the Northward you no doubt have heard. We are informed 300 more are taken by the Blue Mountain boys; but this is uncertain.

Our army is now near Wilmington, and will soon be joined by general Sullivan. Our men in good spirits, and the militia turning out almost to a man, so that if Howe should attempt to take a walk into the country he will be apt to lose a leg or an arm. We only stop here to take breakfast, and then set off for Wilmington.

Extract of a letter from Philadelphia, August 26, 1777.

"General Howe is landing his men near the Head of Elk, and general Washington is gone to stop his career with 12,000 continental troops; and the militia are called in, which in a few days more will make 12 or 15,000 more. And then! take care Howe!"

Extract of a letter from Philadelphia.

"Lord Chatham has taken his seat in the House of Lords, and in a most elegant speech recommended an immediate reconciliation with America, which alone, he said, could save his sinking country; that they had no more prospect of reducing America than he should have of conquering Great Britain with his old crutch [holding it up to them] at the same time

that all the powers of Europe were ready to take advantage of their distracted, weak state."

Last Wednesday were brought to this city, guarded by a party of col. Harrison's artillery, a 2d lieutenant, one mate, two midshipmen, and ten sailors, belonging to the Solebay man of war, who were taken in Princess Anne county by a detachment from that regiment, stationed at Portsmouth, under capt. Ragdale. They were sent from their ship to destroy a small sloop, which drove ashore, and with them, by the high wind and tide, went to pieces.

Marriages.] JOHN THORNTON, esq; of Stafford county, to miss KITTY YATES of Gloucester.

Deaths.] Mr. ALEXANDER WODROW, at Falmouth, in his 45th year, of an apopleckick fit. He was for many years reputable merchant in that place, and much esteemed by his numerous acquaintance for his many good qualities.

In CONGRESS, August 6, 1777.

THE committee of treasury report, that they have conferred with the MANAGERS of the STATES LOTTERY, and find that a considerable number of tickets remain unsold in the hands of the managers, as well as of their agents in the several states; that from the present state of the lottery, and the uncertainty of the enemy's intentions, the committee recommend the drawing to be postponed till the 6th day of November next; and that a farther quantity of tickets be transmitted to the several states, and that it be recommended to their respective executive powers to give all the assistance they can to expedite the sales thereof.

Resolved, that Congress concur with this report, and direct the board of treasury to cause the same to be carried into effect.

Copy from the journals.

WILLIAM C. HOUSTON, dep. sec.

In consequence of the above resolve, tickets will continue to be sold by the respective gentlemen in this state who have hitherto afforded their assistance in the disposal of them, also by Mr. John Carter at his store in Williamsburg.

GEO. WEBB.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

At a meeting of the Visitors and Governors of William & Mary College, held on Friday the 29th of August, 1777,

IT appearing, from the report of the committee appointed to examine the College funds, that great losses have been sustained for many years from the lowness of board hitherto paid by the students and scholars, and that such losses are likely to be greatly increased hereafter by the enormous advance in the prices of provisions, and other necessaries,

Ordered, that the board of students and scholars be increased to 26l. per annum, to be paid half yearly in advance, and to commence on the 25th day of September next; and that a copy of this order be published three weeks successively in the Virginia Gazettes.

Extract from the minutes.

JACOB BRUCE, clerk.

LOST from Hanover courthouse, on the 5th of June, a large dark bay horse 4 feet 11 inches high, appears to be very old, paces well, has a lump near the size of an egg on the middle of his back, but not sore, and branded on the near buttock P. He had on a saddle, with a great coat tied behind, and a pair of striped Virginia cloth wrappers. Whoever gives me intelligence where I may find the said horse, saddle, &c. shall have 20s. reward, or 30s. if brought home, and if stolen 5l. on conviction of the thief.

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EDWARD SMITH.

A SCHOOLMASTER, qualified to teach reading, writing, and arithmetick, & well recommended, will meet with great encouragement by applying to the Printer.

COEHAM, Sept. 2, 1777.

I PROPOSE setting out for Charlestown, in South Carolina, between the 15th and 18th of this month, and to return in ten or twelve weeks. I would negotiate bills of exchange, or dispose of tobacco, and lay the money out in goods at the customary commission, and whilst I remain there would receive and execute any orders for goods that may be sent me. Any person that may be inclinable to come into my proposals will be pleased to lodge their orders with Carter Braxton, esq; of West Point, or with their humble servant,

(2) **JACOB FAULCON.**

Mr. Nicholas Faulcon, jun. will transact any business for me during my absence, on my own account; and Mr. John Wesson, for the copartnership of Jacob Faulcon & co. is hereby authorised to settle and receive all balances due the same until I return

To be **RENTED**,

A VALUABLE tenement on Shocko hill, adjoining the town of Richmond, with 100 acres of very good land, under a good fence, fit for grain or pasturage. There is on the land a good brick dwelling-house with two rooms and a passage below, and three above, also convenient outhouses. To be rented likewise, two good store-houses, suitable either for merchants or small families, there being fire-places in each of the back rooms. The whole may be entered upon next October, and terms known by applying to the subscriber in Powhatan. 2|| **THOMAS TURPIN.**

I HAVE for sale, at Petersburg, a large quantity of **WATCH CRYSTALS**, by the groce.

2|| **WILLIAM WRIGHT.**

ONE shilling per pound for **BACON** will be given by the commissary at Williamsburg, and waggons furnished to fetch it from the Capitol or College landings. 2||

FOR sale, in the town of Petersburg, for ready money or good tobacco, either by whole packages, the single piece, or yard, a large assortment of cloths lately from France, consisting of duffels, coating, bearskins, and a great variety of different kinds of broadcloths of the most fashionable colours, a quantity of writing paper, sail twine, mens and womens kid and lamb gloves, mens worsted stockings, white calico, hammus, checks, plain and figured gauze, parifmet, powder and lead. (tf) **WILLIAM CALL.**

SPOTSYLVANIA, August 12, 1777.

R UN away from the subscriber last night, a convict servant man named William Rill, born in Shropshire, Great Britain, about 27 years of age, 5 feet 8 or 9 inches high, has a remarkable scar in his forehead, dark brown short hair, also two scars on the inside of one of his legs, very near each other, done with a knife crosswise the leg at the same time. He is a likely strong man, very fond of liquor, and when drunk very quarrelsome, by trade a weaver and painter. Had on when he went away a cotton shirt, country cloth coat and jacket, warped cotton filled with wool twilled, all white, his breeches of coarse country linen, brown thread stockings. He took with him other clothes, a hunting shirt, and some I cannot describe. I have reason to believe he will change his dress and endeavour to pass for a soldier, and will, I am certain, enlist as such the first opportunity. All recruiting officers, and others, are forbid enlisting or employing him. I will give 20 dollars to have him secured in any jail, or 10l. if brought home.

FRANCIS TALIAFERRO.

GLOUCESTER, Sept. 1, 1777.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a court martial will be held in this county on Monday the 22d instant, to appoint an **ADJUTANT**, whose salary will be about 80l. per annum, raised by subscription, exclusive of what is allowed by law.

WARNER LEWIS, county lieut.

LANCASTER, July 30, 1777.

ALL persons having demands against **Burges Ball**, esq; are desired to make them known, and apply for payment to the subscriber, who is empowered to discharge them. **HENRY ARMISTEAD.**

For **SALE**, or to be **RENTED** for a term of years,

MY ordinary in New Kent county, on the main road to Williamsburg, 5 miles above Cartwright's ordinary, and 8 miles below the courthouse. There are 300 acres of land, on which is a plantation that will work 4 or 5 hands, a good dwelling-house with four rooms below and two above, all whitewashed and plastered, all convenient houses, a good cellar, stable, and barn, apple and peach orchards, and an excellent spring. Any person inclinable to purchase, or rent, may know the terms of the subscriber living near the premises, or of **Richard Timberlake** in King William county. 1|| **JOHN TIMBERLAKE.**

Fredericksburg, August 30, 1777.

THE subscriber begs leave to inform the publick, that he has removed from the shop he lately occupied to the shop kept by the late Mr. **Richard Lewis**, where he carries on the **SADDLERY** and **HARNESS** business in their several branches, and where gentlemen may be supplied on short notice, he having laid in an assortment of materials of the best quality. Work will be done on reasonable terms, with thanks to those who please to give employ to **EDW. SIMPSON.**

N. B. Good encouragement will be given to journeymen capable of working at the above branches of trade.

CASH, BARIRON, or CASTINGS, will be given at Marlborough iron works for a number of labouring men to cut wood and other common employment, whose wages will be paid in either of the above mentioned articles as soon as their contracts are complied with.

ISAAC ZANE.

FREDERICK county, August 19, 1777.

R UN away the 21st day of last month, from the aforesaid works, a servant man named **Henry Moncrieff**, born in Scotland, speaks broad, and has been used to the sea, is about 30 years of age, 5 feet 5 or 6 inches high, dark hair, thin spare visage, large eyes, long nose, down look, and his left arm much smaller than his right; his dress cannot be particularly described, as he went off from his work in the day time, and had on only a country linen shirt, tow trousers, and an old felt hat, but it is supposed he has procured other clothes. Any person that secures said servant, so that I get him again, shall receive **TWENTY DOLLARS** reward, and reasonable charges if brought home. (8) **ISAAC ZANE.**

STRAYED or **STOLEN** from the commons at Portsmouth, about the 17th of July, a dark bay horse about 6 years old, with a small star in his forehead in shape like a heart, is low made before, his hind legs straight, paces and trots, has a way of throwing the saddle cloth back when riding him, is a very good chair horse, very easy caught, and no way inclinable to jump fences. Whoever brings him to me, in Portsmouth, shall be handsomely rewarded; and if stolen, I will give 50 dollars, on conviction of the thief.

|| **BENJAMIN BANNERMAN.**

For **S. A. L. E.**

A LARGE COPPER, that will contain upwards of 300 gallons, as good as new. For terms inquire of the Printer.

Twenty dollars reward.

SOME time ago enlisted **Peter Pritchett** into the 14th regiment, who has since deserted himself, and will not join my company; he is about 24 years of age, 5 feet 9 or 10 inches high, very well made, has dark hair, and it is supposed he is lurking about in the upper end of Dinwiddie county. Whoever will apprehend him, and secure him so that he is made to join the regiment, shall be entitled to the above reward. 2|| **PETER JONES.**

WANTED at the publick apothecary shop in this city, a quantity of the common **BLACK SNAKEROOT**, for which 5s. per pound will be given.

J. M'LURG.

FOR sale, a tract of land in Gloucester county, about two miles from the courthouse, and the same distance from Ware warehouse, containing by estimation 2000 acres, whereon are two plantations, on one of which is a good brick dwelling-house with two rooms on a floor, a new kitchen with two rooms below and two above, a meat house, overseer's house, &c. likewise a very fine apple orchard, now in perfection. On the other plantation is a good overseer's house, negro quarters, &c. and a good peach orchard. Possession to be given at Christmas, and terms may be known by applying to the subscriber, living on the land.

MORDECAI THROCKMORTON.

JUS imported from St. Domingo, and to be sold by the subscribers in Fredericksburg, jesuits bark, Epsom salts, calomel, jallap, salnitre, sal tartar, aloes, camphire, quicksilver, sal volatile, gum arabic, &c. **JOHN RICHARDS.**

HALL & HORNER.

Twenty **DOLLARS** Reward

FOR apprehending of **Richard Bishop**, a deserter from my quota of state troops; he is about 5 feet 9 inches high, rather slim, has dark hair, and had on a blue coat turned up with red. He is now lurking about in Charles City county, where he has a family, and at one **Perkins Thomson's**. I will give the above reward if the said deserter is delivered to the commanding officer in Williamsburg.

|| **JOHN DUDLEY**, lieutenant.

DESERTED from the **Hero** galley, some time in August, **William Miller**, a Scotchman, formerly belonging to Capt. **Stevenson's** company of the 8th regiment, enlisted at Fort Pitt. He is about 5 feet 9 inches high, has a very innocent look, and had on when he deserted a Scotch bonnet. Whoever delivers him to me shall have 20 dollars reward.

|| **PHILIP CHAMBERLAIN**, capt.

STOLEN last Sunday night out of the state attorney general's pasture, in Williamsburg, a dark bay horse about 15 hands high, low in flesh, with long hanging mane and switch tail, a little white in his face, one white foot, has had a sore back, and the marks of harness appear on his breast and sides. Whoever brings him to Mr. **Nicholas's**, in this city, shall have ten shillings. **N. HARRISON.**

STRAYED from Mr. **George Sullivan's** plantation in Fauquier county, sometime last spring, a small bay mare 13 hands and a half high, 3 years old, with a long mane and switch tail, a small star in her forehead, and a small white spot on one of her hind feet; she paces naturally, and is not branded. Any person that will deliver the said mare to me at Fitzhugh's quarter in Loudoun county, near Broad Run church, shall have ten dollars reward.

4|| **SAMUEL BUCKLEY.**

BERKELEY, Charles City, August 20, 1777.

WANTED, several **SHIP CARPENTERS** capable of lending proper assistance, under a master workman, towards finishing a ship on the stocks, that is now planked up to her bends, and her lower deck layed. Apply to
BENJAMIN HARRISON, jun.

WHEREAS a certain *John Howerton*, a resident of *Essex* county, was properly enlisted by me for the service of this state, and hath failed to attend agreeable to orders, this is therefore to give the said *Howerton* public notice to repair to *Tork* garrison within ten days from the publication hereof, otherwise he will be deemed a deserter, and treated accordingly.

J. RENNOLDS, jun. lieut.

To be **SOLD**, wholesale or retail, at the subscriber's store, the third door below the *Raleigh* tavern,

TEA, coffee, sugar, rum, cordials, and indigo, with many other articles.
WILLIAM PAGE.

Williamsburg, August 21, 1777.

FOR sale, a tract of land in the lower end of *Goochland*, near *col. Syme's Rocky Mill*, containing 412 acres, whereon is a good dwelling house, kitchen, smoke-house, dairy, and barn, with land sufficient to work 8 or 10 hands. The terms may be known by applying to the subscriber, living in the upper end of *Powhatan*.

EDMOND LOGWOOD.

THE subscriber begs leave to inform the publick, that he has opened a **COFFEE-HOUSE** in the house lately kept by *Mrs. Julian* as a tavern, on the main street in *Fredericksburg*, where gentlemen may be genteelly accommodated with lodging, &c. for themselves, servants, and horses.

MEREDITH MUSE.

RICHMOND, August 21, 1777.

FOR sale, a quantity of **FLOUR**, lying at *Warwick*. Any person in want may apply to me in *Richmond*.

PETER STONER.

FOR sale, in the state of *N. Carolina*, *Bute* county, 600 acres of land not inferior to any upland in said county, new cleared enough to work four hands, under exceeding good fence, with a good peach orchard, and a quantity of fine apple trees. It is as beautiful a place as any in this state, and might be made so (*vis.*) from any large water course. The crop of corn, stock of cattle and hogs, to be sold with the premises. --- Also another tract on *Fishing* creek, in said county, containing 250 acres with a plantation thereon, and land cleared sufficient to work four hands, with a good peach orchard; also the stock of cattle, hogs, and crop of corn. --- As I suppose no person will purchase without seeing, there needs no farther description, but for terms apply to the subscriber on the first mentioned premises.

JOSHUA MARRY.

A GOOD **WEAVER** will meet with proper encouragement by applying to the subscribers, in *Mecklenburg* county.

LEWIS BURWELL.

JOHN MURRAY.

ALEX. GORDON.

ASA OLIVER.

THE creditors of *William Irby*, late of *Charles City* county, deceased, are requested to make their several demands known to me, on or before the court to be held for the said county in *October* next, at which time the court propose to make provision for the payment thereof.

THO: HOLT, sheriff
of *Charles City*.

To be **SOLD** to the highest bidder, on the second Monday in *October* next, at the town of *Leesburg*, *Leudoun* county, agreeable to the last will and testament of *col. George Johnston, deceased*,

FIVE half acre lots of ground in the said town, one of which has valuable and convenient buildings thereon, well situated for trade or a tavern. Twelve months credit will be allowed the purchaser, upon giving bond and approved security. --- As *mr. Johnston* has directed this, with some other part of his estate, to be sold for the payment of his debts, and the education of his two younger brothers, it is desired that the creditors will, as soon as they conveniently can, furnish *mr. Hugh Nelson* of *Berkeley* county (who will be authorized to settle the business of the said estate) with the amount of their demands, that the executors may be enabled to know how much of the said money will be left, and regulate the education of the children accordingly.

ARCH: JOHNSTON, } exec.
LEVEN POWELL, }

PRINCE WILLIAM, Rippon Lodge,
August 1, 1777.

WANTED, a manager for a farm, on which there are 20 or more tithables, and plenty of land opened to carry on business to advantage. Either a yearly salary, or a fixed proportion of the crops, will be given, as can be agreed on. I could wish the person applying to have a wife who would undertake the charge of a dairy, raise poultry (of which last she may have a share) and also take under her care three or four spinners. Any person properly qualified to undertake such business must procure certificates from gentlemen of character, of his abilities, integrity, and sobriety, without which he need not give himself the trouble of an application.

T. BLACKBURN.

WANTED, a quantity of **OLD LINEN**, proper for making lint and bandages, at the several stations of the troops of this state. Five shillings per pound will be allowed for all such linen, delivered to the hospital surgeons at *Williamsburg, York, Hampton, and Portsmouth*. Those whom the advanced price will not induce to bring in an article so necessary to our army should reflect on the sufferings which their relations, friends, and countrymen, may be exposed to from the want of it.

J. M'CLURG.

FOR sale, on reasonable terms, the following tracts of land in *Virginia, viz.* Eight surveys in *Hampshire*, containing 1800 acres. Three tracts in *Dunmore* county, containing 3000 acres. One tract in *Frederick*, containing 442 acres. Three tracts in *Fauquier*, containing 3000 acres. These lands being of different quality, any person inclinable to purchase may be shewn the several tracts by applying to the subscriber, who will attend the courts in *October* in the respective counties where the lands lie. Letters for the subscriber may be directed to the post office, *Dumfries*. **ROBERT SCOTT.**

DESERTED the 16th instant (*August*) from my quota of state troops, *Francis Depak*, a *Frenchman*, 5 feet 3 or 4 inches high, who had on a blue lappelled coat with a silver shoulder knot, a check shirt, and *Russia* drill breeches. It is probable he may be gone towards *Petersburg*, as he came from that place. Whoever delivers the said deserter to the commanding officer in *Williamsburg* shall have ten dollars reward.

EDWARD DIGGES, lieut.

Williamsburg, August 27, 1777.

AQUANTITY of exceeding fine **JE-SUITS BARK** to be sold either wholesale or retail, at a reasonable price, by
NORTON & BEALL.

A good exchange will be given for bills on any part of *Europe*, or the *West Indies*.

DINWIDDIE, July 15, 1777.

THE subscriber hath for sale about 6000 acres of land near the old town of *Peytonsburg*, in the county of *Pittsylvania*, which in *Amelia* county will sell from 40s. to 3l. per acre, on which are several small tenements and plantations; also 6000 acres on the waters and branches of *Hycu* and *Dan* rivers, in the county of *Halifax*, on which are likewise several small plantation and improvements. Also 6000 acres in the county of *Mecklenburg*, in different parts of that county; likewise several small pieces of land in the counties of *Dinwiddie* and *Brunswick*, containing about 400 and 500 acres each.

(tf) **ROGER ATKINSON.**

FOR sale, the pleasant and healthy seat called **SCOTCH TOWN**, in *Hanover* county, 23 miles above *Hanover* town, and 27 above *Richmond*. The quantity of land is 1000 acres, 400 of which are cleared and under proper enclosures for farming. The soil is very good, and there is very fine meadow cleared and to clear in sufficient quantity. The best white marle is found there in abundance. The dwelling-house is about 88 feet long and 36 feet wide, very commodious, with a garden, and all office houses fit for the reception of a large family. Negroes, or money, will be accepted in payment. For farther particulars apply to *col. Syme*, in *Hanover*, or the printer of this Gazette.

WARWICK, August 15, 1777.

FOR sale, for ready money, 700 acres of land in *Prince Edward* county, about 50 miles from *Petersburg*, and 55 miles from *Warwick*, exceeding good for grain, and in excellent order for farming, and for working 8 or 10 hands. The land is level, and well watered, in a healthy situation, and has a good range for stock. There is on it a commodious dwelling-house with five rooms, and every outhouse necessary for a family, all in good order. An undoubted title will be made the purchaser, and possession given in *October*, when 50 bushels of rye will be sown on the place. I would also sell a small tract of 80 acres, within one mile of the above land, through which runs a fine stream, and where there is a fine situation for a mill.

ROBERT DONALD.

WANTED, four or five people that have been bred to the rope-making business, to whom I will give good encouragement. Or I would purchase **SERVANTS**, bred to that business. --- I have all kinds of **CORDAGE** for sale, at all times.

WILL: HEPBURN.

TO be LET for one year, or a term of years, the large commodious house and store formerly occupied by *Roger North*, deceased. The house is situated on the main street in this town, and has every necessary convenience for a merchant or tavern-keeper. For terms apply to

C. NORTH, administratrix.

All persons indebted to the estate are desired to settle their accounts, and those who have any demands to apply for payment.

C. NORTH, adm.

STRAYED from *Kingmill*, a black mare 14 hands high, with a star in her forehead, one hind foot white, and branded on the near buttock **I C**. Whoever brings the said mare to *Lewis Burwell*, esq; at *Kingmill*, or to me in *King William*, shall have 20s. reward.

NAT. BURWELL.

FISH KILL, August 14.
HARVEY (New Jersey) August 6, 1777.
Mr. LOUDON,

I TAKE the freedom to enclose you a copy of a letter which I received through the hands of his excellency general Washington. The original I have sent to Congress. The manner in which it was detected appears upon this letter. I beg the favour of you to publish it, with this letter. Indeed I could wish it to be published in all the States, that the people may see that every measure is adopted by our enemies to accomplish their tyrannical purposes. Nothing is less unattempted which they think may promote their hellish designs. They are so lost to all sense of honour and honesty, that, by their own feelings, they judge it a light matter for a person to sacrifice his honour and conscience by betraying the trust reposed in him by his country, and assisting them to establish despotism upon the ruins of freedom. This letter was directed to me as commander at Ticonderoga, therefore may show the importance of having the command of our important posts in the hands of those who have the greatest attachment and the strongest ties to bind them to the cause of their country. I am, Sir, your most humble servant,

JOHN SULLIVAN.

Sir,

I HAVE long desired to write my mind on a matter of very great importance to you, but the unhappy situation of things has rendered all intercourse very difficult, and has hitherto prevented me. I now find a man it to be sent for a very different purpose to you; by him I shall contrive to get this letter to you; a person having undertaken to put it in the place of that which was designed to be carried to you. You know me very well, and are acquainted with many circumstances of my life, and have seen me in very trying situations. That might perhaps have been some excuse, yet I am sure you never knew me guilty of any ungentlemanly action. I remind you of this, to convince you that you may safely trust what I say to you, as coming from a person who has never trifled with any man.

You know better than I do the situation of your Congress, and the confusion there is among you, and the ruin that impends; you have felt how unequal the forces of your own people are to withstand the power of Great Britain; and for foreign assistance, I need not tell you how precarious and doubtful it must be. France and Spain know they cannot embark in your quarrel without the greatest danger of Great Britain turning suddenly against and taking possession of their colonies; with so great a force already collected and in America; besides their fears of raising views of independence in their own colonies, to which they are much disposed. But why should I enlarge on this subject? I am sure you know the futility of all hopes of effectual foreign assistance, and that these hopes have been thrown out only to keep up the spirits of the deluded common people; you, therefore, will not suffer yourself to be deluded by them. The most you can expect from foreigners is, that they will help, at the expense of your countrymen's blood and happiness, to keep up a dispute that will ruin you and distress Great Britain. It is not the interest of France or Spain that America should be independent; but if it were possible that you could entertain any thoughts that the hopes of effectual foreign assistance were well grounded, you cannot but know that such assistance must now arrive too late.

The last campaign was almost consumed before the English army could get collected, and in a position to act in America; but now the campaign is just opening, the whole army in the greatest health and spirits, plentifully provided with every thing, most earnest in the cause, I do assure you; well acquainted with the country, and placed so as to act briskly, with the greatest efficacy. A few months will therefore probably decide the contest; you must either fight or fly; and, in either case, ruin seems inevitable. You was the first man in active rebellion, and drew with you the province you live in. What hope, what expectation, can you have? You will be one of the first sacrifices to the resentment and justice of government; your family will be ruined, and you must die with ignominy; or, if you should be so happy as to escape, you will drag along a tedious life of poverty, misery, and continual apprehensions, in a foreign land.

Now, Sullivan, I have a method to propose to you, if you have resolution and courage enough for it, that will save you and your family, and estate, from this imminent destruction. It is, in plain English, to tread back the steps you have already taken; and to do some real essential service to your king and country, and assisting to re-establish public tranquillity and lawful government. You know I will not deceive you; every one who will exert himself for government will be received; and I do assure you, firmly upon my honour, I am empowered to engage particularly with you, that it shall be the case with you, if you will sincerely endeavour to deserve your pardon. It is not desired of you to declare yourself immediately, nor indeed to declare yourself at all, until you can dispose matters so as to bring the province with you; in order to which you should, as much as possible, under different pretences, contrive to lead every man out of the province from whom you apprehend difficulty, and to keep at home all those who are friendly to government, or desirous of peace. In the meantime, endeavour to give me all the material intelligence you can collect (and you can get the best) or if you find it most convenient, you can convey it to general Burgoyne; and by your using my name, he will know whom it comes from, without your mentioning your own name. As soon as you find you can do it with safety and success, declare yourself, and you will find assistance you very little expect in restoring the province to lawful government. If you do not choose to undertake this, another will; and if you continue obstinate on the ground you are now on, you may depend upon it you will suddenly find it fail, and burst under you like the springing of a mine. What I recommend to you is not only prudent, safe, and necessary; it is right, it is honourable. That you early embarked in the rebellion is true: Perhaps you mistook the popular delusion for the cause of your country (as many others did, who have returned to their duty) and you engaged in it warmly; but when you found your error you earnestly returned, you saved the province you had engaged for from devastation and ruin, and you rendered most essential services to your king and country; for which I engage you my word you will receive pardon, you will secure your estate, and be farther amply rewarded. Your past conduct has been unworthy; your return will be praise-worthy. What is all this expense of human life for, those deluges of human blood? Very probably, only to set afloat some lawless despotick tyrant in the room of our lawful king.

I conceive you must be surrounded with embarrassments; you may perhaps find difficulty in getting a letter to me; possibly the fellow who carries this to you may be fain to be trusted; he thinks indeed he carries you a letter very different from this, and I suppose will be frightened a good deal when he finds the charge that has been put upon him, and that I am in possession of the letter he was intended to carry. Yet I have understood he has a family here, and will, I suppose, with a return, and knows well enough what is in my power to procure him pardon and reward; and I imagine he thinks (as I and most people do) that I am never so grateful of a man who does any thing for me. You will consider how far you can trust him, how far it is possible to do so, and you can find him; and he will be likely to answer the purpose, and I think proper you may engage to him that I will protect him, and reward him. He brings me safely a letter from you.

I could say a great deal more on this subject; but I must close my letter, lest it should be too late. Be sincere and true, and give me an occasion to hear more of your sincere friend,

PETER LIVINGSTON.

MONTECAL, June 2, 1777.

To JOHN SULLIVAN, Esq.

This letter was taken out of a casket which a false bottom by general Schuyler, at Fort Edward, this week, as was in the presence of Benjamin M. Livingston, Henry B. Livingston, and other gentlemen, general Schuyler, John W. Schuyler, captain, and John Livingston, sent it to general Schuyler.

I certify, upon honour, that the letter was taken out of a casket which I delivered to general Schuyler, which casket I received from col. Van Dyke, who separated part of the war from the false bottom, to see whether it was the same I was sent for, and who, after taking out this letter, and letting out some more, returned it into the casket without breaking the seals.

Bar. J. V. Valkenburgh, Esq.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

FOR sale, in Charlotte county, about 12 miles from the courthouse, and one from Fugate's ferry, on the river, 1000 acres of good land for tobacco, corn, wheat, flax, &c. well improved for both hands, whereon is a good dwelling-house with four rooms on the lower floor, two remarkable good chimneys, one brick and the other stone, a large garden, kitchen, dairy, and spring house, an exceeding good granary, tobacco houses, and a still house with two stills, the houses chiefly new, and well built, also apple and peach orchards sufficient to make 500 gallons of brandy and 1000 gallons of cider, convenient to church, sundry mills and fisheries, there being several within two miles from the said dwelling-house. Also 1112 acres of very good land in Pittsylvania county, about 15 miles from the above tract, well improved, well timbered and watered, with exceeding fine range for stock. Any person inclinable to purchase must apply to the subscriber, now living on the Charlotte tract, before the first of September, as he will then set out to the south, and not return till Christmas.

THO. CARTER.

The said land will still be for sale after Christmas, if not purchased before September.

T. C.

TRACT OF LAND, near
the town of **Rocky Mount**, in **Rocky Mount** county,
containing about 100 acres, with four
small houses and two stone barns, a deep
creek runs under the tract, and the
land is well timbered, with oak, hickory and
chestnut trees, a good kitchen, negro
house, dairy, blacksmiths, three barns,
and many other necessary houses, with
about an acre apple orchard, of forward
and later fruit, and cleared ground, un-
der the house, for 4 or 5 hands; it be-
longed to the plantation where **Robert Jones**,
of this county, lived. The
land may be known by applying to
the agent, **John H. Jones**, or the sub-
scriber, in **Rocky Mount** county, **North Carolina**.

NAT JONES.

Wanted, a single man capable of
working on the business of tanning
leather. Such a person,
if employed, will hear of
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JOHN TERRY, sen.

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Thomas Galbreath.

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Lewis Brown, jun.

TAKEN up in **Augusta**, a fine white and
black mare, with a kind of long heart in
her face, 10 months old, about 3 years
old, her left ear cropped, and the right
ear set about half way, with the under
piece cut off. Posted, and appraised to
31. **McArthur Harrison.**

TAKEN up in **Mecklenburg**, near **Taylor's**
ferry, a sorrel horse about 4 feet 7 inches
high, 7 or 8 years old, with white mane
and tail, paces, trots, and gallops, is a
horse of spirit, and branded on the near
buttock HP in a piece. Posted, and ap-
praised to 101. **Thomas Anderson.**

TAKEN up in **Bedford**, a bay horse about
4 feet 6 inches high, with a small star in
his forehead, a large saddle spot on the
off side, had a bell on with a double buck's,
branded on the near shoulder N, on the
off shoulder I R, and on the near buttock
F. Posted, and appraised to 161. **John Chiles.**

TAKEN up in **Mecklenburg**, on **Roanoke**,
near the fork, a dun bay horse about 4
feet 8 inches high, 6 years old, shod be-
fore, and branded on each buttock C.
Posted, and appraised to 91. **Daniel Gold.**

TAKEN up in **Hanover**, a bright bay
mare 4 feet 5 or 6 inches high, with a star
in her forehead, a snip on her nose, her
near hind foot white up to the fetlock,
and a switch tail. Posted, and appraised
to 121. **Benjamin Timberlake, sen.**

TAKEN up in **Augusta**, a mouse coloured
mare about 4 years old, 12 hands and a
half high, a natural trotter, branded on
the near shoulder S, and on the near but-
tock B. Posted, and appraised to 111. **Valentine Canfall.**

TAKEN up in **New Kent**, a sorrel horse 4
feet 4 inches high, about 12 years old,
with a blaze in his forehead, his near hind
foot white to the fetlock, and branded
on the near buttock C. Posted, and ap-
praised to 111. **Samuel Mannin.**

TAKEN up in **Hallifax**, a gray horse about
7 years old, about 4 feet 4 inches high,
branded on the near shoulder and buttock
resembling the letter V and an X over it,
remarkably saddlebacked, and is undocked.
Posted, and appraised to 31. **Pulker Fulkerson.**

TAKEN up in **Bedford**, a black horse 4
feet 8 inches and a half high, 8 years old,
appears to be hipshot, and walks a little
lame, has a hard knot on his near shoulder,
three white feet, some small white spots
in his face, some saddle spots, and had on
a small bell. Posted, and appraised to
191. **Joseph Twenty.**

TAKEN up in **Augusta**, near **Stanton**, a
dark coloured mare 4 years old, 12 hands
1 inch and a quarter high, with a bright
star in her forehead, some part of her tail
bobbed, her mane trimmed on both sides,
but the center grows natural, is a trotter,
and branded on the near shoulder and but-
tock J C. Posted, and appraised to 151. **William Hamilton.**

TAKEN up in **King George**, near **Leeds**
town, a gray horse about 14 hands high,
with hanging mane and switch tail, is a
natural pacer, but not branded. Posted,
and appraised to 51. **Anna Hungerford.**

TAKEN up in **Spotylvania**, a dark bay
horse about 8 years old, 4 feet 6 inches
high, with a star in his forehead, and some
saddle spots. Posted, and appraised to
101. **Samuel Hildrup.**

TAKEN up in **Charlotte**, near **Birwell's**
mill, a gray mare about 4 feet 6 inches
high, 7 or 8 years old, and had a small bell
on. Posted, and appraised to 111. **Valentine Mullins.**

TAKEN up in the upper end of **Charlotte**,
on **Forest** creek, a small black horse about
12 years old, with a star in his forehead,
a snip on his nose, several saddle spots,
his hind feet white, paces and trots, but
has no brand perceivable. Posted, and
appraised to 11. **John Wood.**

TAKEN up in **Charlotte**, near the **Mallings-**
ford bridge, a black horse 4 feet 6 inches
high, 4 years old, is dockt, but not
branded. Posted, and appraised to 121. **Joseph Cole.**

TAKEN up in **Spotylvania**, a red brindled
yearling steer, marked with a crop in the
right ear, and a crop and two slits in the
left. Posted, and appraised to 251. **Joel Parish.**

TAKEN up in **Richmond**, a bay horse
about 4 feet 4 inches high, with a blaze
in his face, his near hind foot white, and brand-
ed on the near buttock I. Posted, and
appraised to 101. **Edmond Bacon.**

TAKEN up in **Mecklenburg**, a middle
sized roan horse about 12 years old, has a
blaze in his face, white feet and legs,
carries his off hind leg straight, trots and
canters pretty well, and paces slow. Post-
ed, and appraised to 51. **John Proffow.**

TAKEN up in **Durham**, a brindled cow,
marked with a crop, hole, and halfmoon
in the right ear, and a halfmoon, under
and over, in the left; also a halter, of a
reddish colour, about two years old, un-
marked. Posted and appraised, the cow
to 451, and the halter to 251. **John Epper.**

TAKEN up in **King & Queen**, a two year
old black filly, about 4 feet high, a na-
tural pacer, but neither dockt nor brand-
ed. Posted, and appraised to 11. **Henry Mitchellborough.**

TAKEN up in **Chesterfield**, a bright bay
mare about 4 feet 7 inches high, about 6
years old, with a star in her forehead, but
neither dockt nor branded. Posted, and
appraised to 191. **Ralph C. Anderson.**

TAKEN up in **Durham**, on the **Great**
creek, a white horse, much fleabitten, 4
feet 7 or 8 inches high, 10 or 11 years old,
with hanging mane and switch tail, has
long fetlocks, branded on the near shoul-
der W, and on the near buttock HP in
a piece. Posted, and appraised to 151. **Peter Jones, jun.**

TAKEN up in **Orange**, a red steer about
3 years old, marked with a crop in the
right ear, and a crop and underheel in the
left. Posted, and appraised to 251. **John Hledfor.**

TAKEN up in **Essex**, near **Holt's** shop, a
small 3 year old heifer, with a yellowish
back, dark brown sides, white head to
the ears, white belly and legs, and a little
of the tail, but has no ear marks. Posted,
and appraised to 301. **William Watkins.**

TAKEN up in **Bedford**, a red steer about
3 years old, with a white face, some white
under his belly, the end of his tail white,
marked with a crop in the right ear, and
an underheel in the left. Posted, and
appraised to 301. **Joseph Blankenship.**

TAKEN up in **Chesterfield**, a red heifer
with some white hairs under her belly and
breast, and marked with two smooth
crops and a nick in the under part of the
right ear. Posted, and appraised to 501. **Henry Stralson.**

TAKEN up on **Back** river, in **Elizabeth**
City, a brindled cow about 8 years old,
and marked with a slit in each ear. Posted,
and appraised to 41 101. **James Wallace Bailey.**